

REMARKS

In this paper, claims 1, 11 and 12 are currently amended. After entry of the above amendment, claims 1-19 are pending.

The applicant appreciates the indicated allowability of claims 12-13 if rewritten in independent form. Claim 12 has been rewritten to be in independent form, including the limitations of base claim 1 and intervening claim 11, so it is believed that claims 12-13 are now allowable.

Claims 1-5, 7-9, 11 and 16-19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Campagnolo (US 6,634,971). This basis for rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 has been amended to clarify that the reset unit provides a reset signal to a reset input terminal of the computer unit, wherein the reset input terminal functions specifically to reset the computer unit. Campagnolo discloses a bicycle control system wherein the system cancels a gear shift command when the command cannot be executed. The office action interprets the claimed computer unit to be processing unit (6) in the Campagnolo patent, and that any terminal within switch (150) can be considered a reset terminal. However, switch (150) is not part of processing unit (6), and switch (150) does not include a reset input terminal that has the *specific* function of resetting the processing unit (6) itself. Accordingly, Campagnolo neither discloses nor suggests the subject matter recited in amended claim 1.

Claims 6, 10, 14 and 15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Campagnolo in view of Honda (US 6,598,693). This basis for rejection is respectfully traversed for the same reasons noted above.

Accordingly, it is believed that the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102 and §103 have been overcome by the foregoing amendment and remarks, and it is submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested. Allowance of all claims is earnestly solicited.

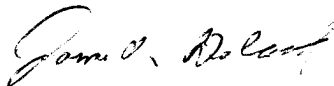
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